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**MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Howard J. Osborn**  
**Director of Security**

**SUBJECT : Physical Security Vulnerability of the Present**  
**Residence of the Chief of the Vietnam Station**

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1. Ever since my last (July-August 1968) visit to Saigon, where I stayed with [ ] I have been disturbed about a particular chink in the physical security armor of the current residence of our Chief of Station, Vietnam. I mentioned this point (described below) to [ ] who said he would take it up with his Security Officer. He may well have done so or this may be something of which the Station Security Officer was already well aware. Nonetheless, in light of recent reports indicating that our Station and officers are particular targets of VC terrorism, I am sending you this memorandum for reinsurance, since the point in question is so simple that it is easily overlooked or everyone involved in physical security matters in Saigon might quite logically assume that someone else was taking care of the matter.

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